

## Claims:

1. A polynucleotide comprising a member selected from the group consisting of:

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- (a) a polynucleotide encoding the polypeptide as set forth in SEQ ID NO:2;
- (b) a polynucleotide capable of hybridizing to and which is at least 70% identical to the polynucleotide of (a); and
- (c) a polynucleotide fragment of the polynucleotide of (a) or (b).

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- 2. The polynucleotide of claim 1 wherein the polynucleotide is DNA.
- 3. A vector containing one or more of the polynycleotides of claim 1 and 2.

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- 4. A host cell containing the vector of claim 3.
- 5. A process for producing a polypeptide comprising: expressing from the host cell of claim 4 the polypeptide encoded by said DNA.

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- 6. A polypeptide selected from the group consisting of
  - (a) a polypeptide having the deduced amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2 and fragments, analogs and derivatives thereof, and
  - (b) a polypeptide comprising amino acid 1 to amino acid 2201 of SEQ ID NO.2.

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- 7. An antibody capable to bind to the polypeptide of claim 6.
- 8. Adiagnostic kit for the detection of the polypeptide of claim 6.

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- 9. Use of a polypeptides encoded by a polynucleotide comprising a member selected from the group consisting of:
  - (a) a polynucleotide as set forth in SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4 and 6 to 31;
  - (b) a polynucleotide capable of hybridizing to and which is at least 70% identical to the polynucleotide of (a); and
  - (c) a polynucleotide fragment of the polynucleotide of (a) or (b)

in an assay for for detecting modulators of said polypeptides.

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10. Modulator of a polypeptides encoded by a polynucleotide comprising a member selected from the group consisting of:

(a) a polynucleotide as set forth in SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4 and 6 to 31;

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- (b) a polynucleotide capable of hybridizing to and which is at least 70% identical to the polynucleotide of (a); and
- (d) a polynucleotide fragment of the polynucleotide of (a) or (b)
- 11. A pharmaceutical comprising the modulator of claim 10

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12. An assay for detecting polypeptides encoded by a polynucleotide comprising a member selected from the group consisting of:

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- (a) a polynucleotide as set forth in SEQ ID NO:1, 3, 4 and 6 to 32 and 54;
- (b) a polynucleotide capable of hybridizing to and which is at least 70% identical to the polynucleotide of (a); and
- (c) a polynucleotide fragment of the polynucleotide of (a) or (b)